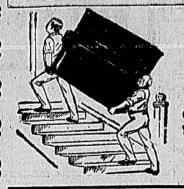
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# A Startling Announcement!

## \$100,000 Stock of Fine Pianos, Organs and Musical Instruments to Be Sold by December 24th.



Regular Price,

Beautiful Mahogany and oak cases. Three pedals, full swing musicesk, carved center, double veneer, full iron frame.

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Fifty good Square Planos and slightly used Organs, from \$150 t



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It has been our policy for the past ten years to offer during the holidays a large number of PIANOS, ORGANS and Musical Instruments at special holiday prices and terms that cannot pos-

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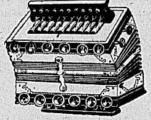
Other firms have tried to imitate these sales, but without success. They are purely a CABLE

We commence in the beginning of the year laying aside some of our best and most choice stock, to be embraced in our holiday sale, and in addition, large orders are placed with our own factories, which insures customers getting their choice of the latest and best in the Piano-building

These sales have proven so successful and popular, hundreds of buyers await with interest the launching of these gigantic sales.

Each year we have been compelled to increase our stock in every department to guarantee patrons against disappointment. We have outstripped all former efforts in this direction.

To sell \$100,000 in Musical Instruments in three weeks' time would seem well nigh impossible to any music firm, but with us it is different. We have the capital to expand, Pianos with reputation that attract buyers, and above all, the confidence of the people everywhere.



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The same you have been paying 50 cents for. Seven-inch Records, \$5 per dozen; ten-inch Disc Re-

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Seven and one-third octaves, full metal frame, three strings to bass. Bushed tuning pins. Repeating action. First quality hammer felts. Terms: \$5 Cash and \$1.25 Per Week.

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Here is an opportunity that presents itself only once in a lifetime. A beautiful seven and one-third octave Upright Plane, elaborately carved, bandsomely finished. On December 4th we shall display a lot of twenty-five of these beautiful Planes at \$175.

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## Second-Hand Uprights.

Exchanged and rented instruments, in perfect order, Former prices

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Hundreds of Musical Instruments will be sent out during Christmas Eve. Make your selection now. Your purchase will be held and delivered as a Christmas surprise.

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Many Negroes Will be Disqualified by the Requirement to Prepay the Poll Tax.

CHESTERFIELD HOME BURNED

Residence of Thomas Friend Destroyed Sunday, With Nearly All Household Effects.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, VA., Dec. 1.—The registration books show a total of about 3,000 votes in Petersburg, including over 800 negroes. That this num greatly reduced by the constitutional requirement of the prepayment of the State capitation tax, as a qualification for voting, is generally conceded, From present indications and the in-

terest that is being aroused on the subject... it is believed that fully 1,500 persons will qualify themselves to vote at the spring election. Up to this morning 050 or more persons had paid their poll tax. RESIDENCE BURNED.

The residence of Mr. Thomas Friend, in Chesterfield county, three miles from the city, was burned to the ground Sunday, with nearly all the househould ef-

day, with nearly all the househould effects, Mr. Friend had an insurance of 500 on his house, which fails far short of covering his loss. Mr. Friend's policy would have expired to-day,
The receipts of new peanuts are rapidly increasing, with an active demand at 50 cents for Spanish nuts. Cotton is also coming in freely, and is held firm at 1114 cents. The tobacco crop is moving slowly on account of an unfavorable seaon acount of an unfavorable sea son for handling. WILL REBUILD.

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WILL REBUILD.

It has been decided to rebuild the factory of the Petersburg Wood Supply-Company, which was recently destroyed by fire. The company did a large business in the manufacture of barrel heads, staves, etc., and had many orders for work on hand when the plant was destroyed. The stockholders and officers composing the company are all young husiness men of Petersburg, all the capital being furnished here.

The new industrial institution to be known as the Hoffman Hall Domestic Training School, for the practical training of the young colored people of both sexes, is to be established here. It, is strongly backed, and will be conducted under proper ausplees. Rev. J. G. Harris, pastor of the colored Presbyterian Church here, is at the head of the movement. A philanthropte New Yorker bequeated \$5,000 to the institution, which is now available. The school is designed, among other things, to turn out competent cools and house servants.

Mr. Jeseph Wright, proprietor of the

move about, He is making some very desirable improvements to the hotel.

NEW CONVICTS.

Four negroes, convicted in the CorporaCourt last week of felonies, were to-day taken over to the penitentiary to serve their terms. They are: Hattle Jackson and Emma Goode, larceny from the person, one year each; Hillard Manson, burgiary, one year; James Wynne house-breaking and robbery, two years; Emma Goode kicked violently against going to the State prison.

The splendid residence cercied by Mr. David Dunlop, of this city, at Coggins'

the State prison.

The splendid residence cercied by Mr. David Dunlop, of this city, at Coggins' Point, on James River, has been completed. The property comprises 300 across of rich land, and is, one of the finest hunting sites on the river. The residence, which is a model of beauty and convenience, is surrounded by a broad verandah, enclosed with glass, is lighted with gas, and is furnished with water from a large, nearby spring The barn and stables are built on a large scale, and large translated with water pumped from the river The residence, which is, one of the finest in Frince George county, commands a magnificent view it is reported that Mr. Dunlop contemplates making this place his permanent home.

POLICE STATISTICS.

The police arrests last month number the release of the residence.

The police arrests last month 153, classified as follows: Assault and bat eanor: 7: suspicion, 10: trespass, 0:

misdemeanor. It suspicion, 10; trespass, 0; violation of city ordinances, 83. The special Council committee to redistrict the wards of the city, and apportion the members of the Council and Board of Aldermen to be elected therefrom has not yet organized, their appointment, though made some days ago, having only been formally announced at the Council meeting this afternoon. There is some talk that the city may be divided into seven wards instead of six, as now. Mr. George W. Cook, an elderly citizen, died at his home on Hinton Street last ovening. He leaves several children.

### FINE SERMON PREACHED TO THE BROTHERHOOD

The annual sermon before the Brother hood, of St. Andrew was preached h Monumental Church on Monday evening William Alexander by Rev. William Alexander Harr, of Morfolk, formerly the greatly loved rector of Monumental. Rev. Mr. Goodwyn, of Christ's Church, assisted in the service. Mr. Barr's theme was "The Call to the Ministry." There was a large congregation to hear his cloquent sermon, which was one of the best that has been heard since Mr. Barr resigned the rectorship of Monumental and went to Norfolk;

## "GOOD GROWING WEATHER."

When the New Scaip Antiseptic is Used.
A good liead of hair is as much a "crown of glory" for man as it is for woman, notwithstanding all the poetry on the subject applied to the female sex exclusively. In the season when flies bite, the bald-headed mun can sympathize with the Egyptians who were so sorely plagued on account of the children of Israel. Why not try Newbro's Herpicide? Others have been benefited and are loud in its praise. It cleaness the scalp, kills the germ at the root of the hair and by keeping the scalp sweet, pure and wholesome, the hair is bound to grow as nature fitended, regardless of the temperature. Try it and be convinced. Bold by leading druggists. Send loc, in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich. Owens & Minor Trug Co., special agents.

Individual carnival of our own. We to the institution, which is now available. The school is designed, among other things to turn out competent cooks and house servants.

Mr. Joseph Wright, proprietor of the Bollinghrook Hotel, who was recently sevely injured by a fall through an elevent way, is recovering, and is able to seven with the seven way, is recovering, and is able to seven with the seven way. It is the seven we way, is recovering, and is able to seven way, is recovering, and is able to seven way.

The Stephen Putney Concern to Build at Exposition Grounds Richmond.

FIRE COMMISSIONERS MEET

Expect to Make Many Improvements in Department-Hiawatha Club's Banquet.

Manchester Bureau Times-Dispatch, ?! Within a year the Stephen Putney Shoe Company will have removed their posed big new plant at the old Exposition Grounds. Already the plans for the new buildings

are being drawn, and the deed for the property will probably be signed this

This removes one of the big business concerns from the city, This company has occupied two large buildings on Perry and Eighth Streets for several years, and has been of much advantage to Manchester. A large number of people are employed, many of them of Manchester, When the new buildings in Richmond have been completed they will be looked upon as the largest for the purpose of

any in the world, Hyontually a large shee factory will be erected, but for the first few years just the offices and warehouses will be in existence.

The people of Manchester deplore the prospective loss, but the company's business has grown to such an extent in the manufacture of their famous Battle Axe shoes that they are forced to seek

arger space.
FIRE COMMISSIONERS. PIRE COMMISSIONERS.

A largely attended meeting of the Fire Board was held last night, and as a result it is quite likely that a number of improvements to the apparatus will be made at an early date.

All the members earnestly advocated such improvements, as were suggested by Chief Crooks and other members of the

Doard.

Resolutions were passed appointing committees to purchase a new collar for the horse, a new extension indder and to look into the advisability of securing anlook into the advisability of securing another horse, so that the present faithful animal night have a rest.

The yacaney made by the resignation of Mr. B. W. Shaw, who has moved away from the city, as a substitute, will be filled at the next meeting of the board.

Those present were Messrs, Wakefeld, Rudd, Reams, Hooker, Grizzard, Cox, Patram, Taylor, Owens, Pettit and Chief Crooks.

Manchester Lodge will meet at 11 o'clock next Sunday morning at the lodge room, when "Day of Sorrow" services will be held.

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In the afternoom the lodge will join with the Richmond lodge at their home, at 2:30 o'clock and proceed in a bedy to the Academy of Music to join in the celebration at that place at 3 o'clock.

The Willing Workers of Clopton Street Church will give an entertainment at Cersley's Hall to-morrow night.

Miss Jamie Jones, of Green Bay, has returned 10 her home, after a plansant visit to Mirs. C. P. Thornton.

Mrs. J. W. Craze is much improved.

Miss Isabel Gary, of Henderson, N. C., is the charming guest of Miss Annie Du Val, No. 1110 Porter Street.

Misses Effic and Florence Hite, of Petersburg, and Miss Mae Wren, of Sussex county, who have been visiting friends in this city, have returned to their respective homes.

Mr. A. W. Fahr, who spent Thanksgiv-

tive homes.

Mr. A. W. Fahr, who spent Thanksgiving with his family here, has returned to Glendower. Albemarke county, where he is fulfilling a large plumbing contract.

## Prairie Dog Pests.

In Nebraska, where whole townships are covered with prairie dog villages, an expedition of scientists is experimental with methods for exterminating the pests. The most effective means used hitherto is the putting into their holes lighted halls of cotton saturated with carbon bisulphide, which gives off a deadly gas.

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PERSISTENT INSOMNIA,

Unwonted tryitability and dread of grapping with business problems are danger signals of a general nervous break-down, in Dr. Burkhart's Vegetable Compound builds up and strengthens the nervous system, digests food perfectly and fills the velns with pure, rich and shealthy blood. A thirty days' treatment can be blood. A thirty days' treatment constants. If you have Rheumatism, Catarth. Constitution of the Heart, Nervous Troubles, Indigestion or Dyspepsia, Sour, Block or Blooting Stomach, Malaria or Slok Headache. A six months' treatment contains, a bonafida guarantee that the dellar paid for same will be refunded in every case where a cure is not affected. You can't afford to miss this opportunity of being restored to health for such a small situation.

# **UP TO-MORROW**

Considerable Interest is Being Taken in the Possible

The Henrico election cases will be called

The Hiawatha Club of young ladies and gentlemen met oil Monday night at the residence of Miss Tene Childress, on Ninth Street. After spending a pleasant evening the party adjourned to C. E. Ray's oyster sulcon and enjoyed themselves in a fine lay-out of bivalves.

Those in the party were more officered by the cann, Mamie Blunt, Lizie Laws, Tills McCullough, Irene Childress, Alice Sharp, Bertha Jarden, Bortha Wescott, Lillie Jarden, Lillie Willams, Blanche Blunt, Messrs. B. C. Frost, F. M. Sharp, A. W. Blunt, R. E. Jackson, C. E. Carnar, H. G. Marshall, L. J. Laws, E. A. Andrews, D. H. Hinton, James Handcock, President W. A. Sharp.

The club will meet at Miss Lizzle McCann's next Monday night, and make all arrangements for a Christmas supper.

SUCCESSFUL HUNTSMAN.

Councilman R. V. Owen has just returned from a most successful hunt. Howelf out in the wilderness and stayed two hours. When he returned home he had seventeen birds to the good.

Dr. Ingram went out for an hour or two yesterday afterneon, but did not get close enough to shoot anything.

NNMATES OF JAIL.

Sergent Saunders said last night that everything at the city juil was neat and in order. There are only seventeen inmites of that institution, five of them being white men, and one a colored woman.

\*\*LODGE OF ELKS.\*\*

Manckelse Ledge will meet at 11 Menchant of the passible results trials. There is a good deal county in the possible results trials. There is a good deal to continue will come of the disturbed probable on the possible results trials. There is a good deal county in the possible results trials. There is a good deal county in the possible results trials. There is a good deal county in the possible results trials. There is a good deal county in the possible results trials. There is a good deal county in the possible results trials. There is a good deal county in the possible results trials. There is a good deal county in the possible results trials. There is a good deal county in the possible results trials. There is a good deal county in t to-morrow in the magistrates' court, and it is possible that several of them will be tried and disposed of at once. There is still considerable uncertainty about the matter, however. Up to this time nothing has been heard from 'Squire Friend, who has been asked to sit with scarcely be a doubt that he will acquiesce, but it may not be possible to get word to and from him in time to begin tomorrow. 'Squire Lewis said last night that he could not state positively whother

Considerable interest is felt in trials. There is a good deal of the overywhere, and many predictions that nothing will come of the disturbance in the political pot. Everybody is watching, however, and not a few expect some sensational evidence.

## GIVEN A RECEPTION.

Rev. J. S. Hunter and Family Are Warmly Received.

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Rev. J. S. Hunter, the new paster of Fairmount Methodist Church, arrived yesterday with his charming family, and a royal welcome he was given by the ladies of the church, who had prepared a spiendid clinner for them.

To-night, after prayer meeting, refreshments will be served in the lecture room to the members of the clurch.

At the reorganization of the heard of stewards, held recently, the following were elected for the ensuing conference year: Chairman T. J. Teagle, Assistant, W. T. Hechler; Secretary, F. A. Jones, Treasurer, J. E. Baker.

Committee on Worship: W. W. Pendleton, C. W. Pollard, L. C. Smith, T. J. Teagle,

ton, C. W. Follard, L. C. Sintin, R. S. Tengle,
Church Comfort: J. H. Pace, W. H. Oxenham, T. H. Morris.
Visiting Committee: G. W. Wilham, E. R. Woody, C. W. Pollard, J. H. Pace, W. H. Oxenham, L. C. Smith,
Ushers: E. R. Woody, L. C. Smith,
W. W. Pondleton and George Witham,
Chorister: F. H. Sherman; assistant,
W. H. Oxenham,
Organist: Mrs. Frank Sherman,
Sexton: Newton L. Gentry,
Reading Notices: T. J. Tengle,
Music Committee; W. H. Oxenham, J.
S. Brauer and B. H. Thompson,

### LADY MACCABEES. State Officers Visited Those of Pairmount Hive.

Pairmount Hive.

The ladies of the Fairmount Hive of Lady Maccabees of the World hold their regular review last evening in Curd's Hall. Miss England, the State commander, and Miss Compers, the State deputy of the Lady Maccabees, were present. This hive was only organized about two months ago, and has made a femarkable record in growth in such a short space of time. Miss England complimented the ladies and said she felt exceedingly proud of this hive, and felt it would be one of the

Present.

banner hives of Virginia in the near future.

The election of officers took place, and the following officers were re-elected: Lady Commander, Mrs. Nettle Newberry; Lady Lieutenant-Commander, Mrs. B. H. Thompson; Lady Record Keeper, Mrs. Flossie Beadles; Lady Finance Keeper, Mrs. Francis Honey; Lady Picket, Mrs. Gathright; Lady Sentinol, Mrs. Lolla Livesay; Mrs. Atkinson was elected lady chaplain (lady knight, resigned); Lady Sergeant, Mrs. Kate Thompson, was elected (Afrs. Hunnycutt, resigned).

After adjournment refreshments were served.

TAKES A TRIP.

Manager McKee Left Last Night GILL'S REGINA IS SECOND for Atlanta.

Manager C. I. McKee, of the Bljou Theatre, left last night for Atlanta. He will go eyer the Wells circuit, visiting At-lanta, Nashyille, Memphis, and New Or-leans. Manager Wells is now in Nash-Mr. McKee will be away about one

Richmond Firm Wins.

Very Tender Service.

One of the most tender and impress sermons yet delivered at the Calvary Ba tist church. In the present revival, w Rev. Mr. Coleman's discussion tast high the theme: "Lost in the Sight of Home

The usual services to-day at noon and a P. M. will take place. SPECIAL RATES VIA SEABOARD AIR

Account Southern Educational Association, Atlanta, Ga., December 29, 1903, January 1, 1904.
On account of the above occasion the Senboard will sell tickets from all stations on its lines to Atlanta and return at rate of one fare, plus \$2.25, which includes membership fee. Tickets on sale December 29th, final linit January 3, 1904, For tickets and other information, apply to the undersigned.

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Given First Award in All-Age Stake of the Virginia Field Trials Association.

Derby Was Started and Will be Concluded Probably To-day Good Attendance.

CHASE CITY, VA., Dec. 1,-The all The W. B. Bradley Contruction Company, a Richmond firm, has been awarded an important contract for work in North Carolina. The Seaboard Air Line has engaged this firm to construct extensive trestle and bridge work at Lineolnton, N. C. A force has been "put on the job" and good progress is being made, age stake of the Virginia Field Trial As morning, was finished shortly after noo-

the award:

First, the pointer Sam Jingo, owned by
Dr. Leigh Buckner; second, the pointer
Regina, owned by R. L. Gill; third, the
English setter Bob's Tony, owned by E.
P. Wilkins; fourth, the setter, Sallie Kinlock, awned by C. B. Cooke, of Rich mond. The winner Sam Jingo is a dog of ex

lock, owned by C. B. Cooke, of Richmond.

The winner Sam Jingo is a dog of exceptional merit, and was clearly entilled to the award. He has fair pace, good style and does his bird work in clean decisive fashion. Regina has, lots of speed and is quick on birds; Bob's Tony, winner of the stake last year, is lacking somewhat in speed, but is a very level hended, comfortable dogs to shoot over. Saille Kinlock had as much class as any, dog in the stake and is snappy in her point work, but she is unsteady on game. Acid looked very much like a winner yesterday, but because he does not retrieve, he failed of a place, Two more dogs; not placed, that showed a good deal of quality, was Royal Dot sore dogs, not placed, that showed a good deal of quality, was Royal Dot sore one point yesterday on a single bird and Bena. Both of these dogs were unfortunate in not finding birds enough to give a thorough trial. Royal Dot scores one point yesterday on a single bird and Bena found a covey. The latter is one of the most stylish dogs in the stake, and is of an unusually good disposition, She was somewhat disturbed by the crow, and did not show at her best.

After luncheon the derby was started. In this stake there are fourteen entried as follows;

Jingo Joe with Ingelside Lass; Chaplotte with Caire; Tony Jing with Spotts wood Bird; Hanover Blythe with Ripfield Jack with Jin P.; Virginius with Dad's Hexle, Blue Bonnet with Nobis Skimpole. Three brace were run off. It is expected that the derby will be finished to-morrow when the free-for-al stake will be started.

There was a good attendance at the trals and as the weather was all than could be desired, the ladies and gentle men, who rode, had an enjoyable outling.

Elasticity by Wholesale.

The importation of India rubber inte the United States last year exceeded 50,000,000 pounds, and was valued at inorthan \$30,000,000. The imports, have in creased about 50 per cent, in the last its years. Over \$10,000,000 worth of manufactures from India subber are so turned out annually from American Tresportes.